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RESPONSE TO SUPPLEMENTAL RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the supplemental restriction requirement dated July 20, 2001 (paper #6), Applicants elect the species of Group IV, free radical scavenger protein-containing hydrogels, with traverse.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the supplemental restriction requirement is respectfully solicited.

A search of any of the denoted groups is likely to turn-up art relating to all of them.

Therefore, all of the groups could be searched as easily as one. The supplemental restriction requirement should accordingly be withdrawn.

In the event that the Examiner does not find it possible to withdraw the supplemental restriction requirement, it is respectfully requested that the non-elected subject matter be rejoined with the elected subject matter upon the allowance of elected subject matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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